

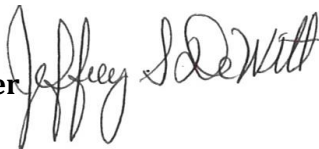
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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Phil Mendelson
Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM: Jeff DeWitt
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DATE: September 16, 2014

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement – “Retirement Technical Amendments Act of 2014”

REFERENCE: Bill 20-440, Draft Committee Print provided to the Office of Revenue Analysis on September 2, 2014

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2015 through FY 2018 budget and financial plan to implement the bill.

Background

Under current law,¹ District government employees who also receive a District retirement annuity² are paid the difference between his or her salary and the amount of the annuity payment. The bill requires that employees in this circumstance be paid no less than federal minimum wage.

Additionally, the bill makes technical corrections to the law³ establishing the Police and Firemen's Retirement and Relief Board (“Board”). It changes references to “firemen” to “firefighter,” and updates the names of District agencies in the statute. It also reduces the required number of non-District government Board members that must be physicians from two to one.

¹ D.C. Official Code § 1-611.03.

² This occurs when an employee retires from one District position and returns to work in a different position. Often this occurs in a sector such as public safety where employees may retire relatively young and return to work in a position that is less physically demanding.

³ D.C. Official Code § 5-722.

The Honorable Phil Mendelson

FIS: "Retirement Technical Amendments Act of 2014," Bill 20-440, Draft Committee Print provided to the Office of Revenue Analysis on September 2, 2014.

Financial Plan Impact

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2015 through FY 2018 budget and financial plan to implement the bill. The technical changes have no impact on the budget and financial plan. Positions filled by employees with annuities must be fully budgeted, because salary adjustments occur at the paycheck level by the Office of Pay and Retirement, after hours are worked and pay is earned.